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Sites with Low Microorganism Content

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed on December 19, 2005, concurrent with the filing of the above-captioned U.S. National Phase application (the deadline for entering the U.S. National Phase having fallen on a Saturday, December 17, 2005).

Prior to calculation of the fees and examination on the merits, please amend the claims attached to the specification as provided below.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u> which begins on page 2 of this paper and continues through page 5.

**REMARKS** begin at page 6.

Also attached for the Office's convenience in an Appendix is the same set of claims in a clean format (no stricken, bracketed or underscored text)